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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Padigaru et al.
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/800,321 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned
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FOR: Novel Proteins and Nucleic Acids Encoding Same

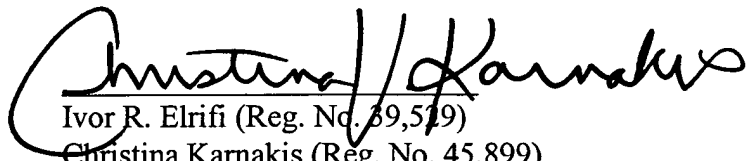
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the July 17, 2001, Notice of Missing Parts in the above-identified application. With the one month extension, this filing is due on or before October 17, 2001.

Please charge the \$55.00 fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), plus any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-703 (Cura-203). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed. Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

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